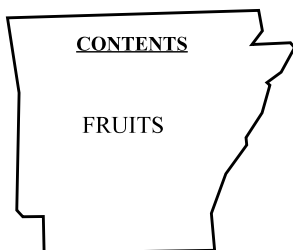


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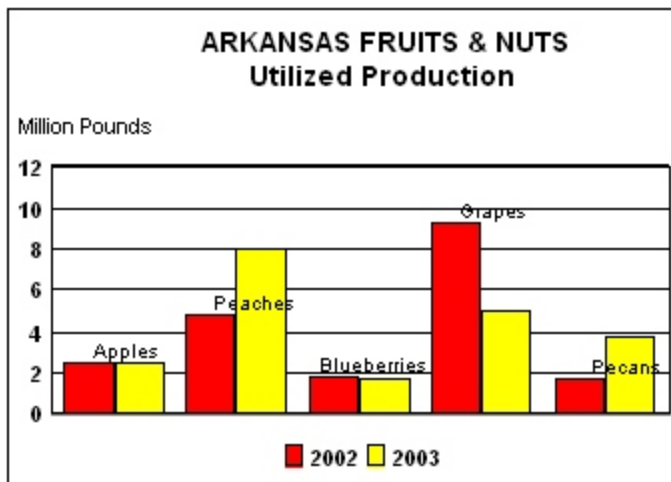
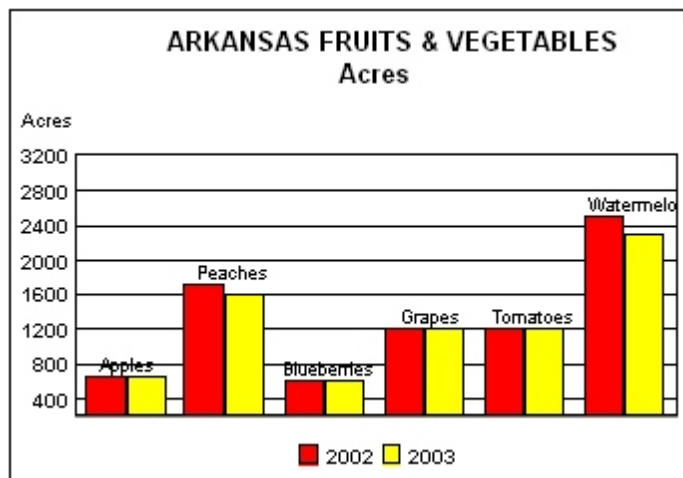
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This report contains the results of the Fruit and Pecan Production and Disposition surveys conducted during the year of 2003. The fruit producers in Arkansas provided the data for these surveys. The data are also posted on our home page at the Internet address above, and more detailed U.S. statistics at <http://www.usda.gov/nass/>. Thanks to all who responded to the questionnaire or interview for the survey.

ARKANSAS FRUIT AND NUT HIGHLIGHTS

The **ARKANSAS** value of utilized **apple** production in 2003 totaled \$602,000, down 12 percent from the previous year's revised \$682,000. Apple production in 2003 was 2.5 million pounds, equal to the revised 2002 production. The average price at 24.1 cents per pound was down from the revised 27.3 cents per pound the previous year. **Peach** production increased to 8.0 million pounds, up from the revised 4.8 million pounds in 2002. The average price was 47.1 cents per pound in 2003, up from the 2002 revised price of 42.9 cents per pound. The value of utilized peach production was \$3,769,000 in 2003, up from the revised \$2,058,000 in 2002. Production of **pecans** in 2003 was 3,800,000 pounds, up from 1,700,000 pounds the previous year. The average price was 86.0 cents per pound in 2003, up from 57.1 cents per pound in 2002. The value of utilized pecan production was \$3,268,000 in 2003, up from \$970,000 in 2002. **Grape** production in 2003 totaled 2,500 tons, up from the revised 4,650 tons the previous year. The average price of grapes in 2003 was \$541.00 per ton, down from the previous year's \$462.00 per ton. The value of utilized grape production decreased to \$1,352,000 in 2003, down from the revised \$2,147,000 in 2002. **Blueberry** production in 2003 was 1,690,000 pounds, down from the revised 1,770,000 pounds the previous year. **Tomato** production in 2003 was 384,000 cwt. up 14 percent from 2002 production of 336,000 cwt. **Watermelon** production in 2003 was 345,000 cwt., down 25 percent from 2002 production of 463,000 cwt.



FRUIT AND NUT PRODUCTION, 2002 AND 2003

COMMODITY	UTILIZED PRODUCTION		PRICE PER POUND		VALUE OF UTILIZED PRODUCTION	
	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003
<u>APPLES</u>	<i>Million Pounds</i>		<i>Cents</i>		<i>1,000 Dollars</i>	
ARKANSAS	2.5	2.5	27.3	24.1	682	602
UNITED STATES	8,374.1	8,523.2	18.8	20.9	1,572,026	1,784,042
<u>PEACHES</u>						
ARKANSAS	4.8	8.0	42.9	47.1	2,058	3,769
UNITED STATES	2,435.4	2,410.3	20.0	18.9	488,011	456,432
<u>ALL PECANS</u>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>		<i>Dollars</i>		<i>1,000 Dollars</i>	
ARKANSAS	1,700	3,800	0.571	0.860	970	3,268
UNITED STATES	172,900	282,100	0.955	0.984	165,033	277,629
<u>BLUEBERRIES</u>						
ARKANSAS	1,770	1,690	1.150	1.330	2,040	2,251
UNITED STATES	188,650	188,740	1.030	1.170	194,566	221,610
<u>GRAPES</u>	<i>Tons</i>		<i>Dollars Per Ton</i>		<i>1,000 Dollars</i>	
ARKANSAS	4,650	2,500	462.00	541.00	2,147	1,352
UNITED STATES	7,336,810	6,418,830	387.00	401.00	2,842,290	2,575,635
<u>TOMATOES</u>	<i>1,000 cwt</i>		<i>Dollars Per Cwt</i>		<i>1,000 Dollars</i>	
ARKANSAS	336	384	44.00	46.00	14,784	17,664
UNITED STATES	39,588	35,147	31.60	36.70	1,252,801	1,289,298
<u>WATERMELONS</u>						
ARKANSAS	463	345	5.70	6.60	2,639	2,277
UNITED STATES	39,585	38,557	8.30	9.00	328,497	347,136